

Host Curtiss Martin makes sure everything is perfect minutes before his guests 'dig in' at his Thanksgiving potluck.

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Students

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AIDS day

Several student organizations

helped sponsor events that will

World AIDS Day takes place today

and N.C. State is commemorating and N.C. State is commemorating the day with events open to ev-eryone. An AIDS quilt displaying tributes to AIDS victims will also hang throughout the week in Talley

Monday's events begin at 10 a.m. with an information fair in the Brickyard. Tables will be set up until

2 p.m. providing red ribbons, free condoms and information on "safer sex" education. From 1:30-4:30 p.m., Project SAFE,

which helps promote understanding and support concerning gay, lesbian,

bisexual and transgendered issues for all members of the NCSU commu-nity, will offer training in the Blue Room of Talley Student Center; visit

http://www.ncsu.edu/safe to sign up and participate. To conclude Monday's events, a candlelight vigil will be held in remembrance of the lives of AIDS

The events continue on Wednesday,

Dec. 3. The critically acclaimed film, "And the Band Played On," will be shown free at 8 p.m. in the Campus Cinema in Witherspoon Student Center. The film follows AIDS' early days in the United States. Events users coordinated by the

Events were coordinated by the following: African Student Union,

Bisexuals, Gays, Lesbians and Allies (BGLA), Campus Activities, Center

(BoltA), Campus Activities, Center for Health Promotion, Inter-Resi-dence Council, NCSU chapter of the Student Global AIDS Cam-paign, Union Activities Board and the Women's Center.

victims and their loved ones

be held today to educate the

public on AIDS.

News Staff Report

Student Center.

Campus was bare this weekend as students traveled to celebrate Thanksgiving with family and friends.

Michele DeCamp

They came back slowly. All weekend, students could be seen dragging duffel bags and clean laundry up the brick walkways. Others sat outside their dorm rooms and exchanged holiday stories with friends. But for a

short time, campus was practi-cally deserted when students left their dorms and migrated back to their homes where they could rest, eat and prepare for the last week of the fall semester.

Many students travel to other places for the holidays, but some students actually traveled with their families to enjoy their days off. Paul Biram, a freshman in com-puter science, went to Virginia with his parents and brother. Biram lives in Raleigh, but his family decided to visit Doron, Va. and let someone else do the cooking. "We drove into Virginia to take

in some of the scenery and a rather nice buffet lunch," Biram said. "It was really cool; Doron is really peaceful and has a great scene."

Biram has been to this particular town with his family before, but this holiday was especially fun for the foursome.

"It turned out great. I was with my folks, I was with my brother, we laughed, we tasted wine, we had supper, we played games, we just were a family."

While many Thanksgiving dinners take place in the home of family member, Biram thinks that Thanksgiving's significance

isn't about the ambiance but the company.

"As long as you're with your family and loved ones, you could be in a car and it would still be Thanksgiving," Biram said.

Others students had plans to travel, but the flu bug got in the way. Stephany Dunstan, a sopho-more in arts applications, moved from Norfolk, Va. to Raleigh six years ago, but the majority of her family still lives in Virginia. "We were supposed to go to Wil-liamsburg, but my younger sister

liamsburg, but my younger sister

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Former provost packs for OSU

Stuart Cooper will take over as a department chair and professor in Ohio State's department of chemical engineering.

Carie Windham

Almost one year ago, Stuart Cooper was packing his admin-istrative office in Holliday Hall to move back to teaching in Riddick Engineering Labs. Now the boxes are back and he's

packing again. But this time, he'll be moving across state lines to

Columbus, Ohio. Cooper, who re-signed as provost in January and returned to teaching in chemi-cal engineering, will be joining the Ohio State faculty next month. "It's a chance to have

a fresh start and to asa fresh start and to as-sume somewhat of a leadership position," Cooper said. "I'm im-pressed with what's go-ing on with Ohio State in Columbus." Cooper will join the chamical angineering Stuart Cooper resigned as provost in January. He will join the faculty at Ohio State next month as a depart-

ment chair and chemical engineering professor. faculty as a professor Senate for her actions. and department chair. The senate also passed He said he was attracted to Ohio a resolution of commendation

State for the strength of their institution and their chemical engineering department. "Both [NCSU and Ohio State]

have very strong chemical engi-neering departments. I've been lucky wherever I've been - from Wisconsin to IIT and now here," he said. Like N.C. State, Ohio State is

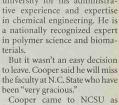
currently buried in construction projects to expand and upgrade current facilities, including recent construction for the mechanical engineering department. Cooper hopes to have a role in the future expansion of chemical engineer

"I'm just looking forward to building a department at this point,"Cooper said. "It's a depart-ment that's viewed very positively

Scrappy' O'Donnel paces pack

Sports takes you inside the Pack's win over Florida A&M. See pg. 10

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at this point, I'm pleased that they were willing to consider me."

Cooper was recruited by the university for his administra-

Cooper came to NCSU as provost in 2001 from the Illinois Institute of Technology where he served as vice president and chief academic officer of the main campus. He served as provost

for nine months, resigning in January 2003 after he refused to fire two top administrators in his

office, Bruce Abrams office, Bruce Abrams and Frank Mallette. "I think it was the right decision that I made," Cooper said. "If the circumstances were similar I would were similar, I would do it again."

After his resignation and, the removal of Abrams and Mallette, Chancellor Marye Anne Fox was censured by the Faculty

and appreciation for Cooper, Abrams and Mallette.

For Cooper, the transition from top administrator back to the podium took some time. "When I came to the position

at IIT and the position at N.C. State, there's a bit of attractiveness to being at the center of the academic activities," Cooper said. "When I went back to the faculty, you get disconnected from all of you get disconnected from all of that. You have to think about researching and teaching and things at the department level.²⁰ Since he stepped down at the start of the spring semester, Cooper said he basically had a compare without teaching or

semester without teaching or interacting with students. He



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JUSHUA MICHEL/IECH The city of Raleigh marked the beginning of the Christmas shopping season with the annual tree lighting ceremony in front of the BTI center.

UAB 'busts' stress during exams

The Union Activities Board will offer activities during the first week of exams to help take some stress off.

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Now that the end of the semester approaches, students are feel-ing the crunch of papers, projects and final exams Need some relief?

During the first week of exams, starting Dec. 8, Campus Activities and the Union Activities Board will provide free food, a chance to check out the latest in gaming

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and wireless technology, a chance to pet and play with puppies and a free night at the movies to help students deal with the stress of exam time. "It's a good opportunity to

lated stress. The Stress Busters activities are there for us to stay mentally healthy," Student Body President Tony Caravano said. Students can take advantage of the events for free, as long as they have a valid student ID. For more information on the Stress Busters program, contact Deb Luckadoo at 515-2451

Schedule for Fall 2003 **Stress Busters:** Monday: Breakfast on the Go

Juice and breakfast bars will be provided at the D.H. Hill Library Wolfline stop and the south en-trance to the Reynolds Coliseum tunnel

Tuesday: Nokia N-Gage Winter it's a game deck, it's an MP3 player, it's a wireless browser, it's a phone. If it's a Nokia N-Gage mobile game

deck. It's all of these and more Nokia presents the N-Gage mob game deck in the Talley Student Center main lobby, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Thursday:"Happy Gilmore' The popular Adam Sandler comer will be shown free in the Campus Cinema in Witherspoon Student Center at 8 p.m. Free popcorn will be provided. Student ID required.



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Tuesday: Pet a Pup Miss your dog? Wish you had one? Come pet and play with some great puppies. Talley Student Center second floor lobby, 5-6 p.m.

Wednesday: Pizza on the Brickyard Pizza will be provided free between exams.courtesy of the UAB's Leisure and Entertainment Committee. Student ID required. Brickyard, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

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and I got the flu so we had to stay home," Dunstan said. "It really hit

bad on Thanksgiving." Dunstan and her sister had three soups to choose from on Thursday, and her mother didn't Thursday, and her mother didn't bother preparing traditional Thanksgiving fare since no one was going to be able to enjoy it. Luckily, Dunstan's grandmother, who is currently living with the family, brought back lots of left-overs from the Williamsburg get-together. By Saturday, Dunstan and her citer were finally able to and her sister were finally able to eat some turkey. If Dunstan had been able to go

said.

Barlow's friend, Megan Cole, a

sophomore in sociology, is also from Charlotte. She enjoyed lots

of family time, and for her, that wasn't always a great thing.

Cole said. She had to sleep on the

floor of her sister's bedroom to

make room for the extra guests

She threw out her back in the

However, she still enjoyed fan-

tastic food. "My father always cooks on

Thanksgiving. He's a really amaz-ing cook," Cole said. After lots of

mashed potatoes - her favorite food - she got to watch football

with the boys. Another friend of Cole and

Barlow, Lauren Jelnicky, a fresh-man in business management,

stayed in Raleigh for her dinner,

ing by far. Twenty-eight people joined her on Thursday. This was

all come together. Jelnicky has a large Italian family, and many of her relatives came from New York to celebrate

the holiday. Her grandfather is in the hospital right now, and

so everyone convened in Raleigh so they could go to the hospital

and bring him turkey and warm

"This was the best Thanksgiv-ing I've had. It was just really nice.

My cousin got engaged, my aunt is pregnant, I got a lot of good news," Jelnicky said. To feed all 29 mouths, Jelnicky's

family had "one really big turkey," nine pies and lots of side dishes.

After everything was over, Jel-

but she had the largest gather

'My cousins drove me insane,"

to Virginia, she would have been able to partake in one of her fam-ily's many traditions. For starters, she would have had some of her mother's famous oyster dressing. She also could have joined in her family's annual discussion on how to say the word "pecan."

This year was different for Dunstan in other ways as well. Her father passed away a few weeks ago and this is her first

weeks ago and this is her inst holiday season without him. "I knew it was going to be hard. We discussed beforehand that it was going to be different without him," Dunstan said. There is also another tradition that will have to go on without

that will have to go on without her father. Many years ago her cousin got a giant doodle bear that could be written on. Her cousin asked Dunstan's father to wrestle the bear, and so it became an annual event for her dad to

wrestle the doodle bear." Many students were able to have more typical Thanksgiv-ing experiences over the break. Courtney Barlow, a freshman in business management, went back home to Charlotte. A lot of her family lives in Kernersville, N.C. and her grandmother is responsible for bringing a pecan pie from Dewey's Bakery, Barlow is happy to be back to N.C. State.

"This is like my home now. When we were walking up, I was like 'I'm back home!'" Barlow

"I was with my folks, I was with my brother, we laughed, we tasted wine, we had supper, we played games, we just were a family ... As long as you're with your family and loved ones, you could be in a car and it would still be Thanksgiving."

- Paul Biram freshman, computer science

nicky was left with the clean up. "I did all the dishes! I had to do 29 dishes at the end of the day!"

Jelnicky said. Her grandfather was also happy to see everyone. "He was so excited to see ev-

erybody on Thanksgiving. It was really special for him," Jelnicky

While students with families in While students with families in or near North Carolina have an easy time celebrating Thanksgiv-ing, international students have an interesting predicament. Many of them are familiar with the holiday's origins and purpose, but most of the students do not have an equivalent holiday to celebrate and their own families celebrate and their own families are still in their birth countries. Therefore, many of NCSU inter-national students find alternative

Hector Garcia, a senior in industrial engineering, and Ro-berto Castillo, a senior in busi-ness marketing, decided to travel to New York City and enjoy some serious "Day After Thanksgiving"

shopping. "I would have liked to have a Thanksgiving typical day, but we couldn't because we were we couldn't because we were there and we didn't know any-body from America, but it was fun," Garcia said. They missed the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, but they were able to check out the department store itself the next day.

Macy's was crazy," Castillo said. Another Ecuadorian student, Andrea Naranjo, a senior in chemical engineering, had a more typical Thanksgiving Day in Charlotte. Her family celebrated the day with a family that is half American, and both families brought foods from their own countries and mixed it with atypical Thanksgiving fixings. This is the first year that Naranjo has had a Thanksgiving dinner.

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"We are starting to incor-porate Thanksgiving into our family tradition," Naranjo said. "I like it; it's a good time to get together with family and friends. Luckily, Naranjo does like some traditional Thanksgiving fare, including turkey and cranberry

Paul Chakola, a senior in tex-tiles, is from India. He likes the holiday, but he wishes that the day didn't come when there is so much going on with school. "It's the wrong time of the year;

there is too much work to do. You don't really have time to relax," Chakola said.

He was able to spend the day with an American friend and his family. Overall, he enjoyed the

"It was a lot of food. I think it was a waste of food. Twenty people could have eaten it," Cha-kola said. This is probably the last year that Chakola will celebrate Thanksgiving since he will be re-turning to India when he gradu-ates. In his country, Christmas is definitely the biggest holiday, but he sees the point of Thanksgiving and other days like it. "You need holidays. You need

a day to celebrate with family,' Chakola said.



looks forward to getting back into teaching during Ohio State's

"I've always enjoyed teaching and interacting with students," he said. "That's why we become professore" professors."

Cooper will still be in his office until the holidays, preparing for his move to Columbus. His wife, Marilyn, will stay behind to sell their house. Despite the opportunities in

Ohio, Cooper said he will miss his days in North Carolina.

"TII miss the faculty," he said. "I had a large staff when I came here and we all had good rela-tions. I'm going to miss them. I think there's a very good spirit here.

from Princeton (1967) Academic Experience: 1967-1992 Professor of chemical engineer-ing at the University of Wiscon-sin, including six years as the department chairman. 1993-1998 Dean and H.Rodney Sharp Pro-fessor in the College of Engineer-ing at the University of Delaware. 1998-2001

Stuart Cooper

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itself the next day. "There were so many people.

News

Nick Sortal South Florida Sun-Sentinel (KRT)

FORTLAUDERDALE,FLA.-Yolanda Laverde, Shavhon Joseph-Steele and other classmates walk across their Broward Community Col-lege campus and toward an artificial rock wall in the gym. Laverde, of Hollywood, Fla.,

represents the modern college student. She measures her success by her own progress, not by team standings tacked on the bulletin board. "I like working out by myself

more," says Laverde, who played junior varsity soccer at Taravella High School in Coral Springs, but didn't pursue it further.

Her friend, Joseph-Steele, has another reason for hitting the wall

"I've played enough sports," she says. "This is a new challenge." Meanwhile, at Florida International University in Miami, stu-dents gather in the weight room, but sometimes their jaws move as much as their biceps do.

And at the University of Central Florida, the No. 1 activity isn't driving to nearby Orlando or finding a local bar: it's frequent-ing a spectacular glass building

with treadmills, weights and a 41-foot rock-climbing wall. Colleges everywhere are pump-ing up on recreation, using the fitness movement as the opportu-nity to attract _ and keep _ their students. One out of every four colleges has opened a new recre-

ation building since 2000. The growth in campus recre ation mirrors what everybody wants: to be healthy.

"Wellness right now is the big buzz around the country, both at colleges and elsewhere," says Ed Londono, director of campus recreation and wellness at Barry University. "It's huge because it's more individual. It's a commitment to yourself that goes beyond physical fitness

To that end, the same recreation trends everyone else sees are established on campus, including yoga, step aerobics, pilates and even kickboxing. The traditional intramural sports, such as softball and basketball, aren't dying, but they're not growing as much as the rest of the college fitness

world. "People still play them, but you still have to get a bunch of friends together and put a team together," Londono says. "There's a little more maintenance than you'd think."

And the social aspect of work-ing out appeals to many at Florida International University, says Jose Silva, a personal trainer at the recreation center who says some call the gym "Club FIU."

"A 45-minute workout can take some people two or three hours," says Silva, who notes that the se-rious lifters have on their headphones to block out distractions. But most people are here to be healthy rather than to be really, really big." Meanwhile, the colleges are

bulking up on recreation because of the time-honored reason: money. They say good, clean fun (including recreation) attracts students

At the University of Central Florida, campus recruiting tours finish with a stop at the recreation building, near the center

of campus. "It's a huge recruiting tool," says

Rick Falco, assistant director of the recreation and wellness cen-ter. "The parents like it as a center of campus because it diverts the students from less-encouragable behaviors, and it has become a social center.

The rec building, which opened in January 2002, is part of UCF's drive to establish a campus presence. Of the 42,000 students, only 8,000 stay on-campus. Another commuter-based cam-

pus, Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton, has no such facilities, and sorely is lacking, says Rose mary Dunbar, the school's wellness director. "Students today are extremely

wise shoppers," she says. "If you're 18 and go look at the center at UCF, then look at what we have,

where're you going to go?" Colleges that are smart offer recreation, morning, noon and

night, she says. "No. 1, you don't want Animal House," Dunbar says. "You don't want kids going off and drink-ing, so you have to provide opportunities. And they don't want a dumpy little lot, because they've had karate classes and other op-



Broward Community College student Shavhon Joseph-Steele heads for flat ground at the Pembroke Pines campus in Florida

portunities growing up "Students expect more than 20, 30 years ago," Dunbar says. They want to push themselves

physically." The students are also willing to pay the costs, says Barry Brown, of the National Intramural-Rec-

reational Sports Association. Recreation is not a determinant for choosing a college, but it's up there, he says. Given a list of 21 reasons why they choose a uni-versity, students chose courses as No. 1. But recreation was in the

top half, ahead of clubs, shopping and entertainment, he notes And the students are fully aware that multimillion-dollar

aware that mutuminon-donar recreation centers ultimately cost nobody but themselves. The money for such structures in most cases is reflected in higher student-activity fees. The interesting thing is that

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students are being asked to foot the bill, but they understand the value of that," Brown says.

Largest firefight since war ends with dozens of Iraqis dead

Sudarsan Raghavan and Maureen Fan Newspaper Knight Ridde (KRT)

BAGHDAD, IRAQ - In the biggest battle since U.S. forces captured Baghdad in April, Iraqi guerril-las ambushed two U.S. convoys in simultaneous attacks in the northern Iraqi city of Samarra on Sunday. But U.S. troops fought them off, killing 46 Iraqis and wounding at least 18, U.S. military officials said.

Eight Iraqi prisoners were captured, while five American soldiers and a civilian traveling

in the convoy suffered non-lifethreatening injuries, the U.S. military said. Many of those killed were wearing the uniforms of the Saddam Fedayeen, Saddam Hussein's irregular militia. "This is a true indication that

we are bringing the fight to the enemy," said Master Sgt. Robert Cargie of the Army's 4th Infantry Division

Guerrillas also killed two U.S. soldiers and wounded a third on Sunday near Husaybah, along Iraq's border with Syria. That brought the number of coalition deaths to 104 in Novem-ber, the bloodiest month since

the U.S.-led invasion began on

March 20. The ambushes appeared to be an effort to mount larger attacks on Americans at the same time guerrillas are striking vulnerable U.S. allies in an effort to drive a wedge between the United States and its coalition partners. Iraqi guerrillas killed 12 people

from four countries this weekend. The dead included seven Spanish military intelligence officers killed in an ambush on Saturday. Their bodies were returned to Spain on Sunday. Two South Korean electrical contractors and a Colombian civilian working for a U.S. military contractor also were

killed over the weekend. A U.S. official in Washington, who spoke only on the condition of anonymity because he isn't a designated spokesman, said the appearance on Sunday of the Fedaveen uniforms may be an effort to instill fear in Iraqis that Saddam may return to power. It also may force the Bush ad-

ministration to treat captured, uniform-wearing Fedayeen prisoners of war under the Geneva conventions rather than as "enemy combatants" with no rights, the official said. Samarra, 60 miles north of

Baghdad, is in the heart of the so-called Sunni Triangle, the arc of territory where opposition to the coalition has been most violent.

The two convoys were attacked from rooftops and alleyways at around 1.30 p.m. with mortars, roadside bombs, and rocket-propelled grenades as they rolled into Samarra. The guerrilla attacks came from the east and the west of the city, said U.S. military officials.

The guerillas tried to block the road with a makeshift barricade, but the convoy managed to push through. U.S. troops using small

arms, 120mm tank rounds and 25mm cannon fire from Bradley fighting vehicles repelled the attackers, with exchanges lasting for many minutes, said Cargie The soldiers destroyed three building the guerrillas were using to stage their attacks.

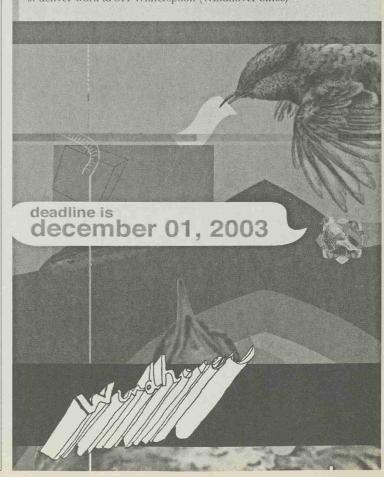
In a separate attack nearly an hour later, four men with automatic rifles ambushed another U.S. convoy, Cargie said. U.S. troops again returned fire, injuring all of the attackers. Cargie said the soldiers found AK-47 rifles and rocket-propelled grenades in their black BMW.

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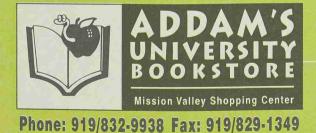
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OUR OPINION: THE CHANGES TO THE ALLCAMPUS NETWORK ARE WELCOME AND NEEDED, ESPECIALLY THE NEW 16-DIGIT ID NUMBER THAT WILL REPLACE SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS.

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are due for a much-needed facelift. The AllCampus cards will become

easier to use and encompass many more services, such as access to Wachovia banking accounts. The new cards can eventually have Visa check cards functionality added.

The biggest change: the new 16-digit identification number that will replace the Social Security number as the main The unsigned editorial that appears above are the opinion of the members of the Technician's editorial board except for news editors and are the responsibility of the editors in chief.

identifier on campus. No longer will students' Social Security numbers be floating around for everyone to see and steal. This is a big step by the university for protecting student privacy. Basically, an all-in-one super duper debit card that slices, dices and pays the bills on time. OK, maybe not slices and dices.

Everyone gets a new card: students, faculty and staff. On-campus students will get their new card through University Housing. Off-campus students will get theirs at the ticket windows at Reynolds Coliseum. The old cards will not work except in the WolfCopy machines in the library. Don't worry about getting a new picture taken. The old picture will automatically be transferred, unless you are willing to pay the \$15 charge for a new picture.

This is a major step for the university. Creating and updating the AllCampus system will greatly improve privacy and security (now if we can only get the bookstore to stop printing our entire

credit card number on the receipt!). It will also make it easier for students to get funds when they head out to clubs, restaurants and bars on the weekend.

As the program progresses, however, other banks besides Wachovia should be included. Many faculty and students bank at the State Employees Credit Union and BB&T. RBC Centura bought the naming rights to our basketball stadium, so they should get in on the action as well. It is fine to start out with Wachovia because it is the main banking partner of N.C. State, but make it accessible for all students by collaborating with other banks. Wachovia is trying to muscle in on the college market, but not everyone banks with Wachovia, nor is willing to switch to get the full conveniences from the new AllCampus card. It would behoove the administration to give a little back on our added investment. Remember, the easier we can get to our money, the faster the university will get it. Get it? Good.

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Stop clapping

Not all drivers are courteous and understanding. Heather Cutchin details an unfortunate experience while riding the Wolfline.

A typical day for me begins with walking down to the bus stop and waiting for the bus. Sometimes, the Wolfline is actually on time, and I make it to class



Cutchin

good students do...drawing in my notebook. Once I am free from the clutches of my chem-istry teacher, I fly to the bus stop so that I do not miss the bus that will take me the closest to my

portion of my day doing what

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home. Once again, I am thwarted in my attempts to leave campus. An hour later, I finally make it back to my humble abode, where I spend just a few minutes of my time before going to work. What a day... I am still trying to figure out what happened to the buses this year. Last year, I thought they

were great (hence the column "Ap-plause needed for Wolfline drivers") This year, the buses are always late and some of the drivers are not nearly as friendly as before nor as professional. I do not think that the drivers should help the ladies onto the bus or be ro-bots that never do anything human, but a little courtesy to your fellow man (or woman) is never a bad thing.

Buses that run late are annoying. Es-pecially when a crowd of people forms and they all want to get on the same bus that I do. When the bus finally does come, a riot breaks out on who gets to heard for board first. Once that settles down, we let the

people that want off the bus get off (with pushing and shoving, mind you no way are they getting off easy), and the person that won in the riot gets on and finds a seat. We manage to squeeze onto the bus, packed tighter than a Japanese subway during rush hour. The driver starts to slowly pull away from the stop, and the bus groans with the weight of all the passengers. Everyone starts looking around to see whom he or she can throw off to make the bus

go faster. I get a little frightened. I am a small person. I scoot under the nearest seat and hope that someone else wants to stop in the Varsity parking lot so I do not have to jump out of my hiding

place to pull the cord. The bus driver has been oblivious to all of this commotion. After radioing in that the Varsity bus is full to capacin that the Varsity bus is full to capac-ity, he pulls out his cell phone and proceeds to tell his girlfriend about his day. He also tells her how much he loves her, how great last night was, how stupid all of these kids on the bus are and could she please do his homework for him again? Then he realized that he had the intercom system on the bus turned on and we could all hear him turned on and we could all hear him. Seeing the potential disaster approaching, I leave my hiding place and pull the cord a little early. All attention and anger is then directed to me, because

they did not see me go into hiding and the bus could have late are annoying. been moving faster if I had been thrown Especially when a off with the other crowd of people smaller people. I run to the driver to beg forms and they all for my life, but he want to get on the Luckily, a rather

He stopped my flight out of the wind-shield and redirected me out the door.

demons that will not let me off when I ask them politely. There are a few to cross the street before going through an intersection. These drivers are courteous to all of their passengers and never slam on brakes. They are on time too! The \$80 that comes out of our fees and goes toward the Transportation department should go toward getting these guys a raise. (OK guys, remem-ber you told me I got a portion of that money if I put that in there. I want to

Wolfline department, but they declined comment by never returning my email. Therefore, this column is based on my experiences and those shared by



Show me yours, I'll show you mine

Sex games in middle school? Oh, thank you whichever benevolent god sent this crisis to the world so that I might write about it. I may have to start tithing



again. Apparently, in middle schools around the country, young men and women have taken something as innocent as jelly bracelets and turned it into

a perverse sex game. First, I'd like to make it known how offended I am that things from the '80s can so easily be turned into perverse objects, which inspire lust. Especially when they are trends begun by people like Madonna. Next, we'll find out that young girls

using it to imply sexuality. For those of you who aren't "with it" or "hip," young people have begun to code the small strands of celluloid, which if ripped or "snapped" while on a young lady's arm, imply some sort of sexual coupon. The game is called "snaps"

While some of the colors are fairly tame, some supposedly end in fullblown (pardon the pun) sexual congress. According to most sources, the colors of the middle school game are as follow:

Yellow - a hug Purple - a kiss

Red - lap dance

Transparent - "whatever the snapper Blue - oral sex

Black - intercourse

This trend is reminiscent, some-what, of the soda tab games of the 80s, where middle school and high school teenagers would gift each other with the tabs from the tops of soda cans that, if accepted, meant the person gifted agreed to have sex with the giver

Teenagers, it seems, are always going to want to have sex. They're also always going to want to have sex without feeling guilty about it later. At least, with as little guilt as possible, hence, the games and tricks they use to make it seem OK.

Something that bothers me is that this particular trend was picked up from college and 20-something par-ties where the "sex bracelets" have

slightly less naive meanings. According to one Web site that manufactures these bracelets, the col-or codes are slightly different. While the meanings of yellow, red, transpar-ent, blue and black remain the same, the color purple, when snapped, is valued as an anal sex coupon. Hm. That could lead to some very con-That could lead to some very con-fused middle schoolers if not every-one gets together on this thing. Also, now the color orange means a kiss, white and pink mean flash-

ing and I can't even talk about what brown is. I worry that while the soda tab could only have one, or possibly a couple different acts associated with it, this new game is going to color code America's children as to what they will and won't do. Also, it takes a lot of the meaning out of the gratuitous sex of the past. Yes, teenagers in this country have

always had a lot of sex and, for the most part, this country has kindly looked the other way, because it's the way its been for a long while.

This, however, is a little bit different. This puts a lot of pressure on teens to have sex, and not with the boy they've been dating for three years or maybe a little groping by that cute guy who sits three seats over in remedial biology. No, this is a trend that suggests that No, this is a trend that shows a random hooking up, with no emo-tional investment, is okay. It's middle school swinging, and it's more than a

little disturbing. I don't mind teens having sex. I

think it's going to happen no matter what and its best to approach the situ-ation with a watchful eye rather than a loud mouth. What bothers me is how, cultur-

ally, we are removing the need for emotions to be tied into sex. More and more, it seems that everyone just wants to get their rocks off and they don't really appreciate the romance. We see it on TV, we see it in the mov ies, popular fiction and music. I think the reason its good for teen

agers to have sex is because it can teach them about how powerful physical love can be. It's another step they can take in a relationship and another way they can learn how important other people are.

Sadly, what trends like "sex brace-lets" teach is that you can remove yourself from sex, that you can just enjoy it on a purely physical level, and we end up with a nation of people who no longer remember what it was

like to feel emotional attachment. Sex is important. It's what keeps men out of the priesthood and it's what people probably spend half of their lives talking about in one form or another, but it isn't something to be taken lightly, and it isn't something to make into a game.

When consenting adults make sex into a game, they've had the time and experience to know what they're doing, and they've developed some way to feel okay about it in the morning.

When confused teenagers make sex into a game as a way to explore and discover, it's more than possible that the next morning is going to bring a lot of doubt and more than a little grief. Snap

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Ben is currently wearing a plaid jelly bracelet. E-mail viewpoint@technicianstaff.com if you'd like to snap it.

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I limped on home. Not all of the bus drivers are horrible

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see the green!) I did try contacting the head of the

others. Heather wants to know your horrible

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Woods was harassed all night

defensive effort with a 22-point

performance, just two points off

'I wanted to shut him down,"

shot 4-of-14 and finished with

only 12 points, by far his lowest output of the young season.

Five State players finished in double figures, including Julius Hodge, who added six assists and

the concept of a "sewer rat," a term Sendek uses to describe the

type of defensive player he covets - a player that's constantly fight-

ing and battling for loose balls all over the floor.

doing Friday night.

Or, whatever O'Donnell was

rebounds to his 16 points. But the night belonged to O'Donnell, who best personifies

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his career high.

Sherrill said.

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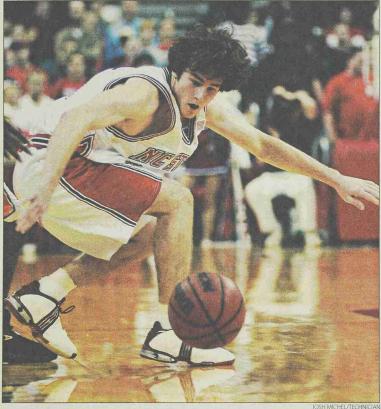
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Schedule

Football vs. Kansas, 12/22, 5:30 Men's basketball at Michigan, 12/2 Women's basketball vs. ECU, 12/3, 7 W. Swimming & Diving at UNC, 12/2 Wrestling at Las Vegas Invite 12/5-6

'Scrappy'O'Donnell paces Pack to 3-0

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Freshman Mike O'Donnell spent a lot of time chasing loose balls in a 30-point win over Florida A&M.

N.C. State rolled to a 30-point home win over Florida A&M thanks in part to the defensive efforts of freshman guard Mike O'Donnell.

Scores

Men's basketball 92, Florida A&M 62 Oregon 83, Women's basketball 78

Matt Middleton

The loudest cheer resonating through the RBC Center during Friday night's basketball game be-tween N.C. State and visiting Florida A&M wasn't following a thunderous dunk by Marcus Melvin. Not even after a long-range 3-point bomb from Scooter Sherrill or when the final margin of 92-62 was announced.

Instead, many of the 11,612 in attendance rose to their feet and howled their loudest roars following a turnover by freshman guard Mike O'Donnell. A turnover?

Sure enough, after O'Donnell dove to the floor while stealing the ball from Rattler guard Tony Tate late in the first half, he committed a travel-ing violation while still rolling on the floor trying

ing violation while still rolling on the floor trying to find an open teammate. Urged by coach Herb Sendek, the crowd roared in appreciation for the hustling play of the Largo, Fla. native. It was one of the many times O'Donnell, who finished with 11 points, six assists and four steals, hit the arena floor fighting for loose balls. "Coach Sendek always stresses being scrappy," O'Donnell said. "And I just try to be as scrappy as possible."

A scrappy effort that included 21 deflections, a Sendek-loved stat that records the number of

times a player gets his hands on the ball, showing his activeness on defense.

"That's a huge number. Anything in double dig-its is a sign you've been active," Sendek said. Sendek also added he couldn't remember the last time one of his players had that many deflections

in a single game. "We love him," senior Scooter Sherrill said. "He's

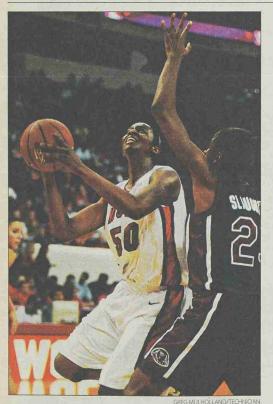
we love nim, senior Scooter sherrin said. He's really becoming a fan favorite out there." Following O'Donnell's much-appreciated turn-over, FAMU's Terrence Woods nailed a 3-pointer to cut the State (3-0) first-half lead to 20 points. to cut the state (3-0) inst-hair read to 20 points. Woods, a transfer from Tennessee, connected on 139 treys a year ago for FAMU (0-3), the fourth-best mark in NCAA history. State would score the next 14 points behind a pair of 3-pointers and a slew of bad shots and turnovers from the Rattlers, who committed 24

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Scooter Sherrill nearly registered a career high.

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Kaayla Chones scored 25 points in a loss at Oregon Saturday. State beat Sacramento State on Friday.

Women split West Coast trip

The women's basketball team fell to No. 24 Oregon Saturday night after defeating Sacramento State on Friday.

Sports Staff Report

Kaayla Chones scored 25 points but it wasn't enough to push the Wolfpack over No. 24 Oregon Sat-urday in the Oregon Classic. The Ducks eventually prevailed 83-78 in a close game that was tied at halftime.

The score was tied at 69 with 4:25 to play, but a 3-pointer from the Ducks led to a 13-4 run that sealed the victory.

Keisha Brown added 15 points

for the Pack on a 7-of-10 shooting effort.

State (2-2) connected on just 4of-15 3-pointers, while the Ducks rattled in seven 3s in just 15 attempts.

The senior duo of Chones (13 points) and Terah James (10) led the Pack to a 69-42 win over Sacramento State Friday night.

State led by 18 at the break and never looked back in the second Brown added seven points and

four assists, while Billie McDowell scored nine off the Pack bench. State will return to Reynolds Coliseum this week for a nonconference tilt with East Carolina Wednesday night at 7 p.m.

Pack to face Jayhawks in Tangerine Sports Staff Report

Mark Mangino said Saturday. "So far they have fulfilled the dream and I'm very proud of our players."

Kansas was just 2-10 a year ago, but got off to a hot start this year behind the play of quarterback Bill Whittemore, who is sixth in the nation in back of Philip Rivers. Kansas won five of its first seven games before Whittemore was injured in a 42-6 loss to Kansas State. Without Whittemore, the

KRT Kansas coach Mark Mangino led his team to six wins this year during the regular season.

Bowling season ready to open for ACC schools

With Florida State awaiting its BCS destination, the rest of the ACC bowl slots are slowly being filled. Here's a look at the other five games that ACC teams will play in.

Tangerine Bowl

Dec. 22 N.C. State (7-5) vs. Kansas (6-6) Last N.C. State appearance: 2001 def. by Pittsburgh 34-19 **Prognosis:** Winners of just one game since Oct. 1, the Jayhawks backed their way into the bid without star quarter-back Bill Whittemore. Still, State hasn't exactly blown away any Division I



World Marriott from Dec. 19-21

team this year with the exception of

self-imploding Texas Tech, so a high-scoring, entertaining game could be in the cards.

Tickets: Students can pay \$30 and

show their valid student ID in Raleigh at the N.C. State ticket office in exchange

for a ticket voucher. The voucher can be redeemed in Orlando for a ticket at the

Pittsburgh (8-4) vs. Virginia (8-5) Last N.C. State appearance: N/A Last NLC state appearance:N/A Prognosis:On paper it's a great match-up again. Pittsburgh was one game away from playing in the BCS, and Virginia, in the bowl for the second time in as many years, closed the season strong with a convincing win over Virginia Toch Virginia Tech

Humanitarian Bowl



rs. TBA Last N.C. State appearance: N/A Prognosis: Although not official, a Boise State-Georgia Tech game is all but certain and would be a huge yawner. The Bron-cos are the best team you've never heard of and would wipe the Jackets all over their home blue turf.



The Kansas Jayhawks accepted a bid to the Tangerine Bowl Saturday to face N.C. State on

Dec. 22 in Orlando, Fla. The Jayhawks finished the

regular season with a record of 6-6 and will be participating

in their first bowl game since 1995, and their first bowl con-

Gator Bowl Maryland (9-3) vs. West Virginia (8-4) Last N.C. State appearance: 2003 def. Notre Dame 28-6 Prognosis: A rematch of an early season blowout should be a much better game this time around. Mountaineers are co

champions of Big East (6-1) and lost to

Peach Bowl

the Terps 34-7 on Sept. 20.

Jan. 2 Clemson (8-4) vs. TBA Last N.C. State appearance: 1994 def. Mississippi State 28-24 Prognosis: Clemson's likely opponent will be Florida, who narrowly lost to Florida State Saturday, a team the Tigers beat with aest Twically con 6 the beat with ease. Typically one of the most entertaining of all bowls, this year should be no different for the up-andcoming Peach Bowl.

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test in the continental United States since 1981. "All of our kids wanted to play in a bowl in the worst way, Jayhawks lost their next four games until he returned in a 36-7 win over Iowa State and this was our goal back in training camp - they wanted to be a bowl team," Kansas coach